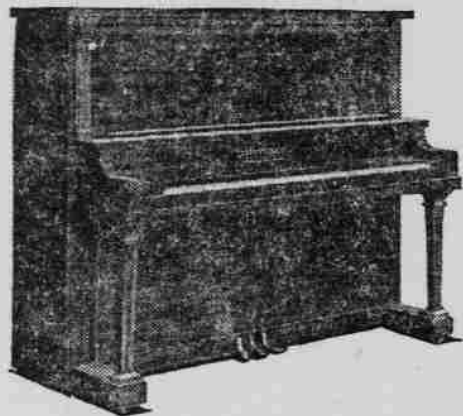


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## LET GREECE ALONE

Central Powers Have Not Tried to Use Force in Athens.

Germans Satisfied So Long as Neutrality Is Maintained.

## BALKAN SITUATION IS EASY

Saloniki Not Likely to Become Base for Allies.

Teuton Siege Guns Would Repeat Antwerp Devastation.

Vienna, Dec. 10.—It is authoritatively stated here that the central powers have brought no pressure whatever to bear on Greece. The view is held that the position of Greece is difficult in the highest degree, and that the Greek government is endeavoring to preserve not only neutrality but complete independence. The position is taken here then, that pressure upon Greece is hardly called for and would even be useless so long as the Athens government is able to assert its own interests.

The interest of the central powers, it is said, is merely that Greece shall remain neutral. Considering the condition of the country and that the Greek government itself desires that it is for the welfare of the Hellenic people to remain neutral, the central powers, it is asserted, have no occasion to bring pressure to bear in Athens.

It is held by officials that inasmuch as Greece gave her consent for the entente powers to send troops across Greek territory and to take other military steps, this created a right for the Teutonic and Bulgarian troops to do the same.

Military experts here express the belief that the entente powers hardly will try to make good their reported threat to create a Gibraltar out of Saloniki, the geographical and political situation of that place being regarded as unfitted for defensive purposes. However, if the entente allies should try in this manner to create a base, it is declared, the artillery that reduced Antwerp would have something to say.

The entente allies would err, it is declared, in assuming that any undertaking in the Balkans would be too great for the central powers. The interests of Greece would in any case be respected, it is said, but the entente troops on Greek territory would be attacked energetically, which course, it is maintained, nobody could condemn. The delimitation of the arena of war would then be Greece's affair and would depend upon the movements of the entente troops.

Central Powers Easy.

The utmost confidence is expressed in authoritative quarters here concerning the Balkan situation since the central powers, it is claimed, are able to confront whatever forces the entente allies land at Saloniki, or elsewhere, with forces greatly superior in numbers.

The lines of communication for the central allies and the Bulgarians already are in good condition, which is hardly the case with the entente allies.

## TO INVESTIGATE FIRE

Department of Justice Orders Agent to Conduct Hopewell Inquiry.

Washington, Dec. 10.—Chief Justice Blaski, of the department of justice, has ordered an inquiry to be conducted by his agent at Norfolk to proceed to Hopewell and make a thorough investigation of yesterday's fire.

Federal agents investigating fires in powder plants and munitions works have failed to find basis for governmental prosecution and officials doubt if the Hopewell investigation would reveal anything upon which the federal government could take action.

## CALL UPON POINCARÉ

Grey and Kitchener, in Paris for Conference With Officials, Received by French President.

Paris, Dec. 10.—Sir Edward Grey, the British secretary for foreign affairs, and Field Marshal Earl Kitchener, secretary for war, who are in Paris for conferences with French government officials, were received today by President Poincaré.

President Poincaré gave a luncheon to the British cabinet members, members of the French cabinet and under-secretaries of state.

## OAKLAND NOTES

Mrs. Harold Lepper entertained the following members of the S. O. D. H. Club Wednesday evening at her home in Forest avenue. Miss Alice Bell, Miss Mildred Haworth, Miss Mona Bell, Miss Florence Lepper, Miss Edna Bost, Mrs. John Jones, Mrs. Hubert Sand. The annual Christmas party and exchange will be held at the home of Miss Edna Bost in Poplar street, Wednesday evening, December 23. Miss Alice Bell, secretary and treasurer and Mrs. Hubert Sand, secretary and treasurer.

The Otto Magae family have moved from North Topeka, to the Clayton Hummer home in Wabash.

The Oakland school building caught fire yesterday. The damage was slight, the east roof. The damage was slight.

Mrs. Fred Rodgers has returned to her home in Kansas City, Mo., after a short visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Spickard.

Mr. Samuel Webb, of Williamstown, Kansas, is visiting his daughter, Mrs. E. A. Peters and family in Michigan avenue, this week.

Mr. Ray Henry, of the western part of the state is visiting at the H. D. Hamilton home in Wabash avenue.

Mrs. Virginia Tompkins, of Salina, Kansas, will arrive here the first of the week to visit her sister, Mrs. William Cunningham and family in Pennsylvania street.

E. P. Williams, who has been seriously ill the past week is improving rapidly and able to be about the house.

Walter Pratt, of Colby, Kansas, is spending a few days this week at the home of Rev. and Mrs. E. A. Peterson in Chester avenue.

The revival meeting being held each night at the Oakland M. E. church by Mrs. Rose Potter Crist are proving successful. Services are held at 2:30 and 7:30 each day.

Mrs. J. E. Massie entertained the following members of the Woman's Missionary society of the Oakland Presbyterian

church, Thursday afternoon at her home in West Eighth street: Mrs. J. W. Thompson, Mrs. J. G. Huey, Mrs. Wm. Vanover, Mrs. E. P. Taylor, Mrs. Edna Brown, Mrs. Irene Brown, Mrs. Jones, Mrs. Dant and Mrs. Massie. The subject for the afternoon was "Mormons," by Mrs. Vanover. The next meeting will be held with Mrs. Elizabeth Lee with Mrs. Thompson, leader.

Attention Beulah Chapter. Officers and members of Beulah chapter No. 34, O. E. S., will meet at Masonic temple Saturday at 1:30 p. m. to attend the funeral of our late sister, Elizabeth Horn.

BELLE S. CLEVELAND, Matron. CORA W. WELCH, Sec'y.

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## THE FUTURE CITY

Kansas Municipal League Secretary Speaks at Norman.

Tells Oklahomans That Town Has an Individuality.

Norman, Okla., Dec. 10.—A city has just as much individuality as a person, according to Frank Talbot, secretary of the League of Kansas Municipalities, who spoke before the second annual convention of the Oklahoma Municipal league here today.

Mr. Talbot took as his topic "The City of the Future." The spirit of this city, he said, will be one of neighborliness. As an example he pointed out that municipalities throughout Kansas are planning municipal Christmas trees to exemplify their "community spirit, democracy and neighborliness." The speaker urged municipalities, who spoke before the second annual convention of the Oklahoma Municipal league here today.

Cities differ in tone, in ideals, in initiative and in belief or disbelief in themselves, he pointed out and asserted that there is the "Touch" city, the "Crooked" city, the "Honest" city, the erratic city, the slow city, and the aggressive city.

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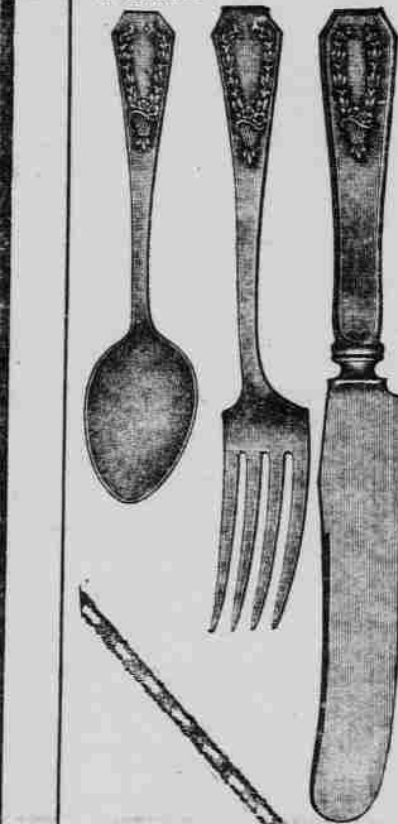
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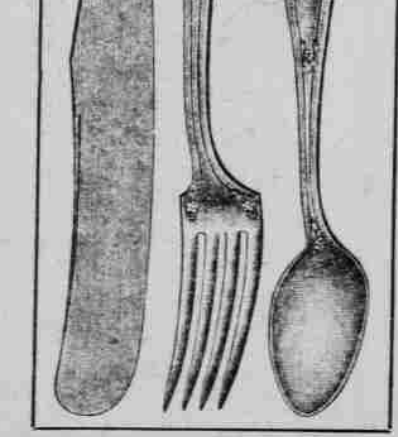
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